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11 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
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13 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

14 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

CASE NO. 2:21-cr-00021-JAM

15 Plaintiff,

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17 **ORDER SEALING DOCUMENTS AS SET
18 FORTH IN GOVERNMENT'S NOTICE**

v.

19 KEVIN STERN,

20 Defendant.

21 Pursuant to Local Rule 141(b) and based upon the representations contained in the government's
22 Request to Seal, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the government's four-page document pertaining to
23 defendant Kevin Stern and the government's Request to Seal shall be **SEALED** until further order of
24 this Court.

25 It is further ordered that access to the sealed documents shall be limited to the government and
26 counsel for the defendant.

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The Court has considered the factors set forth in *Oregonian Publishing Co. v. U.S. District Court for the District of Oregon*, 920 F.2d 1462 (9th Cir. 1990). The Court finds that, for the reasons stated in the government's request, sealing these documents serves a compelling interest. The Court further finds that, in the absence of closure, the compelling interests identified by the government would be harmed. In light of the public filing of its request to seal, the Court further finds that there are no additional alternatives to sealing the government's motion that would adequately protect the compelling interests identified by the government.

Dated: January 03, 2024

/s/ John A. Mendez

THE HONORABLE JOHN A. MENDEZ
SENIOR UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE